

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	Hitoshi Inoue	<	Confirmation No.:	7303
Application No.:	10/702,170	<		
Filed:	11/4/2003	<	Examiner:	Steven Y. Kau
For:	IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, METHOD OF SETTING TONAL GRADATION CONVERSION CHARACTERISTICS, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM	<	Art Unit:	2625

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Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION / AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper and a new sheet illustrating a new drawing Fig. 18 is submitted herewith.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.